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R. L. Pugh, 33°

We had a very fine Reunion. 139 interested and enthusiastic Master Masons joined the class of candidates on Tuesday morning and continued through the journey of the Scottish Rite for a period of three days.

Many of our members worked exceedingly hard to obtain these candidates and in some instances the task was rather difficult. The economic uncertainty which seemed to pervade the atmosphere proved to be a most formidable opponent and the fact that we were able to come forth with a class of 139 is a beautiful tribute to the labors and efforts of our loyal members who worked so hard to obtain these candidates.

The Reunion is now over and has been properly cataloged in pages of history as one of our very best. "The Rededication Class" indicated in every sense of the word such a deep appreciation of the beautiful work that was presented on the stage. It was inspiring and the class left our Reunion with a deeper appreciation of what it means to be "rededicated".

During the week following the Reunion, the Grand Lodge of North Carolina was in session in Durham and concluded on Wednesday evening, April 22nd, with the installation of a 33° Mason, Most Worshipful Brother Maurice Elledge Walsh of North Wilkesboro, N. C. as Grand Master. The Bagpipe is proud to feature the new Grand Master's picture on the cover and a sketch of his life in this issue. Certainly Scottish Rite Masons in the Valley of New Bern will be happy to welcome the Grand Master at each of our Reunions and at the same time, we pledge to him our faithful support during his year. Already he bids fair to go down in Masonic history as one of the most educational minded Grand Masters we have ever had. It is our hope and prayer that he will be successful in providing an educational program for the Masons in North Carolina that will intensify the interest and enthusiasm of the members in North Carolina.

In the meantime, the members of the "Rededication Class" have received their dues cards for 1970 together with a letter of welcome and a few extra blank petitions. They should be the most enthusiastic workers we have and we have already let them know that we are depending on them, in large measure, to proceed immediately to help make our next Reunion, November 17, 18 and 19, the best we have ever had.

Sincerely and fraternally yours,

R. L. Pugh

Robert L. Pugh, 33°
Secretary

Bagpipe Skirls

Dear Brethren,

Some of you have taken advantage of these beautiful spring days and will soon be producing some fine products from your gardens. For all of us who have not turned the rich soil with a plow or hoe — we can get busy on a garden that will bear fruit as well. It's done this way —

YOUR GARDEN

Kind hearts are the gardens,
Kind words are the roots,
Kind thoughts are the flowers,
Kind deeds are the fruits.
Take care of your garden
And keep out the weeds;
Fill it with sunshine,
Kind words, and good deeds.

There are people who make things happen, people who watch things happen, and people who never know what happened.

Cosmetics are a woman's way of keeping a man from reading between the lines.

Passerby: "I see you are putting up another new building."

Foreman: "Yes, sir. That's the only kind we ever put up."

"What am I supposed to do with this?" growled the young hot-rodder as the desk sergeant handed him a receipt for his traffic fine?

"Just hold on to it," the sergeant advised. "When you get four of them, you get to ride a bicycle.' '

There's nothing like having the person you're talking about drop in to make a long story short.

We cannot journey without making footprints, and others will follow where we go because we have marked the way.

A motorist was telling about the trouble he's had recently driving to and from work. It used to be easy, he said. No traffic problem, no mad rat race. But now — wow! Cars coming from all directions.

"And it's been that way," he said, "ever since I got my glasses."

A man met an old friend after many years and asked, "Did you marry that girl friend of yours or do you still cook your own meals and mend your socks?"

"Yes," replied the friend.

Turning your back on one problem brings you face to face with another.

The home run you made yesterday won't win today's ball game.

AT EVENTIDE

I want to know, when day is done,
That life has been worth living —
That I have brought somebody joy
Through kind, unselfish giving.

I want to feel, when evening falls,
And shadows quickly lengthen,
That I have made somebody glad,
Some weakness I have strengthened.

I want to know, that come what may,
I've left some cheer and gladness;
I want to know, that on my way,
I've banished someone's sadness.

I want to feel, at close of day,
That someone's cares were lighter;
Because of kindnesses I have done,
May someone's life be brighter.

To all our new Scottish Rite Masons, WELCOME. Remember — The distance a man goes is not important — it is the direction in which he is moving that counts.

Your piper,
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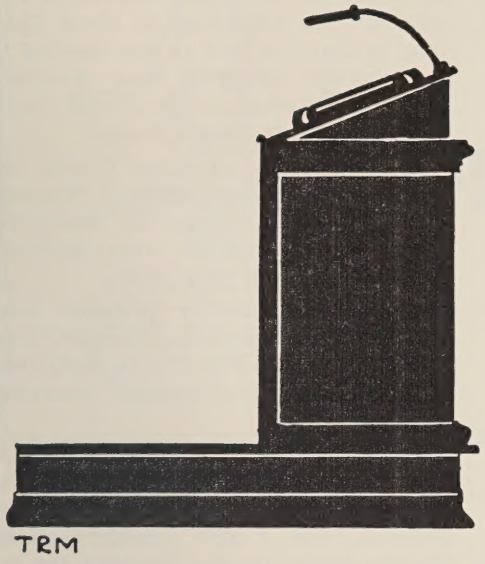

From The Classroom

BY EDWARD P. BLAIR, 33° CLASS LECTURER

What Does Scottish Masonry Say To You?

The Spring Reunion is over; another fine and wonderful group of Brethren are in the fold. What does this mean? They now belong to a glorious, wonderful movement. What does Scottish Masonry say to you? I am afraid that it speaks a different language to some people, or perhaps I should say some people hear the words differently. What we hear means the interpretation we put on it, and how nearly we act the part out in our daily living.

Freemasonry for years has been defined as a system of morality veiled in allegory and illustrated by symbols. Morality comes close home to each one of us because it concerns us; without the fruits of our morality our religion is barren.

There is a depth to Scottish Masonry of unknown proportions, for if we study its purposes, we find new meanings and a noble philosophy. We find new avenues of service to God and to mankind. We really serve God, by serving His children here on this earth and its institutions. If we do not do this, who will do it?

One of the great lessons of Scottish Masonry is found within each human heart. What does Scottish Masonry say to you and what do you propose to do about it? It unites men of various sects, creeds, and opinions who might otherwise have remained at a distance. Its real beauty does not appear until it is put to work. Then it shows in abundance with clarity and effect. This does not mean in the lodge room alone, but in our community, our state and our nation.

What did Scottish Masonry say to you? May I take a moment to tell you what it said to me. *Scottish Masonry told me that what holds this world together is not chemistry, weapons and guns, but spirituality, forgiveness and hope; not blind chance but an eternal purpose. We are and represent one of God's greatest creations and we certainly were not just put here in this planet by this great Creator, to mean nothing, to do nothing, and to be nothing. Truth conquers evil and love is all powerful. There is and must be a Divine Creator to whom we should look for guidance and forgiveness. We show our love to this Creator when we extend it to our fellowman. I saw in Scottish Rite Masonry, Love for God, Love for self, Love for fellowmen, Love for country and Love for our free institutions, our Public Schools, our churches and our Universities.*

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MEET YOUR NEW GRAND MASTER

Maurice Elledge Walsh was born at Purlear, Wilkes County, North Carolina, November 11, 1917, the son of Jesse F. and Elizabeth Elledge Walsh. He received his formal education in the public schools of Wilkes County, graduating from Mount Pleasant High School at the age of fifteen years. He graduated from high school during the depression days of 1932. Not being satisfied with just a high school education, by correspondence and night school he obtained a degree is business administration from Draughn Business College, Knoxville, Tennessee.

On September 21, 1937, he married Miss Sina (Pat) Kilby, of North Wilkesboro, North Carolina. To this union a son was born, Steve Michael, now age 23, who is enrolled in the Graduate School of Dentistry at the University of North Carolina.

In 1934 he accepted a position with the N. B. Smithey Chain of Department Stores, with headquarters at North Wilkesboro, North Carolina. Soon thereafter he was promoted to manager of the retail outlet division where he remained until August 15, 1946. Resigning from that position he became Postmaster of North Wilkesboro, North Carolina, August 31, 1946, a position he now holds. He is a very active member of the North Carolina Chapter of N.A.P.U.S., and served as its president in 1966. He is one of the Postmaster Instructors of the Atlanta Region, and has trained new postmasters extensively throughout North Carolina.

He has been very active in church and civic affairs. He is a member of the First Baptist Church, North Wilkesboro, North Carolina. A former Superintendent of the Adult Department of Sunday School of his Church. A past president of three of the men's Sunday School Classes, and has given sixteen years of service on the Diaconate of his Church.

He is a charter member of the Wilkes Chamber of Commerce, a past president and member of the Board of Directors. He is a Charter member of North Wilkesboro Optimist Club, North Wilkesboro, North Carolina, and served as its first president. He was the first member of the Optimist Club to be presented with a life membership therein for his outstanding service to the Club. He was a charter member, a past president, and a former member of the Board of Directors of Wilkes United Fund, Inc. He is a charter member and a past president of Wilkes Toastmasters Club. He is a charter member, a past president, and a member of the Board of Directors of Wilkes Y.M.C.A. He is a former member of the Board of Directors, and served as Chairman of the Planning Commission of Wilkesboro and Wilkes County. For outstanding and distinguished service to his Town, County and Community he was honored by being selected as "Wilkes County's Young Man Of The Year", in 1952.

Maurice's keen interest for the welfare of orphans and widows prompted him to make application for membership in the Masonic Fraternity. He was elected to membership and received the degree of Master Mason in North Wilkesboro Lodge No. 407, A.F.&A.M., North Wilkesboro, North Carolina, November 22, 1943, and served as Master of his lodge in 1946.

His other Masonic Affiliations are as follows:

He was Exalted in North Wilkesboro Chapter No. 78, Royal Arch Masons, North Wilkesboro, North Carolina, and served as High Priest of his Chapter in 1946. He was Annointed, Consecrated and set apart in the Grand Council of Annointed High Priesthood of North Carolina, in 1948. In 1954 he was elevated to the Exalted Office of Most Excellent Grand High Priest of The Grand Royal Arch Chapter of North Carolina.

He was Greeted in Zabud Council No. 16, Royal and Select Masters, Winston-Salem, North Carolina, in September 1945. He received the Super-Excellent Masters Degree in April 1946.

He was Knighted in Piedmont Commandery No. 6, Knights Templar, Winston-Salem, North Carolina, in April 1944. He served as its first Eminent Commander.

He is a member of Winston-Salem Consistory, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, Winston-Salem, North Carolina, and a past president of its Booster Club. He has received the investiture of K.C.C.H. and in October 1969 was Coroneted an Inspector General Honorary 33°.

In 1962 Maurice was appointed Grand Steward of the Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons In North Caroline. He advanced through the various offices in the Grand Lodge, rendering outstanding service to Masonry in each of the offices held. For the unselfish, devoted and distinguished service rendered to Freemasonry over a long period of time, the over 67,000 Masons in North Carolina, assembled at the One Hundred Eighty-Third Annual Communication, in the City of Durham, North Carolina, on the 22nd Day of April 1970, elected him to the most Exalted Position of Most Worshipful Grand Master of Masons In North Carolina.

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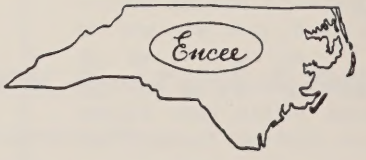

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DOWN ONSLOW WAY

By

Reynold S. Davenport, 33°

I recently read one of these lofty-phrased articles having to do with personality changes. There wasn't a whole lot in it that I could understand but I got the general idea that when your personality gets to playing footsie with the status quo your next of kin is well-advised to check on the accommodations at the nearest funny farm.

I just don't hold with the idea that a change in personality necessarily signals approaching dementia. A lot of people I know undergo severe personality changes every night and they have survived with varying degrees of sanity for lo these many years. What I'm talking about is the change that comes over a man each time he goes to sleep.

One of the meekest men I know is a veritable tiger when he goes to sleep. During the day he gets out of other people's way, doesn't say anything until you ask him something, and just generally takes a back seat all the time. It was my enlightening experience, though, once to share a hotel room with this man. Just as I was dozing off it sounded like a cat and dog fight erupted in the other bed. It just scared me half to death. I came about three feet off my bed and was looking for the exits even before I landed. What it was, of course, and as I realized just in time to halt my headlong and scantily-clad flight into the hotel corridor, was this man snoring. There just wasn't anything meek about it at all. In fact, it was about as belligerent as anything you'll hear this side of field artillery. A night watchman couldn't have slept through it. I spent the rest of that night in awe and wonder — and sleepless. Talk about personality changes — this man is two people every twenty-four hours.

It's the same with a lot of people. Another man I know is real aggressive during his waking hours. He charges around telling everybody what to do and makes all kinds of decisions and keeps his voice pitched about four decibles higher than a diesel truck exhaust. Anytime you get within a block of him you know he's a round and you wish he wasn't. It has also been my dubious privilege to observe this boisterous personality in its somnolent state. Here again we have a complete switcheroo. Being familiar with his customary deportment and regular sound effects you'd naturally expect his snores to approximate the best efforts of a mad bull. Not so. You can barely hear his sleeping sounds. Once in a while he gives off something akin to the purring of a cat but even this is muffled and has a sort of apologetic sound to it. Another personiality change, and this man is apparently no crazier because of it.

It's a funny thing about snoring, anyhow. I've known people who just didn't amount to shucks at anything else they tried, but who could deliver some or the most outstanding nasal pronouncements ever to emanate from a pillow. It is a talent which apparently improves with age; it seems that the older a person gets the more spectacular are the performances he is capable of rendering. And a man can produce sounds while asleep that he is utterly incapable of reproducing during his waking hours.

Mary Frances tells me that ordinarily the only times I snore are when I sleep on my left side, or on my right side, or on my back, or on my stomach. She has, however, on occasion known me to snore while sitting. She can't recall that I've ever snored while standing.

We once had a dog that snored exceedingly well and loud. She slept and snored uncommonly frequently, so her personality must have changed several times a day. I suppose that we should have had her psychoanalyzed but it always appeared to us that she had more sense than a whole lot of people and we just never got around to it.

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"From Up The Neuse"

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What does it take to live today? One said. "You must be like an ostrich, bury your head in the sand and let the world go by." The only trouble with this solution is the traffic is too heavy — you will wind up completely buried! Another said, "Go your own way and pay no attention to others." Well, the problem here is the others won't let you. They will break down your fence, trample your grass, and force you to go their way. But one man said, "Have faith and believe there can be a better tomorrow, and it will be so only if you decide it can be." Have faith you say, in what and how? Well my friend you are a Mason, should you have to be told where a Mason's source of faith and strength comes from? No, I know all that but — yes, my brother, you are just like all of the rest of us, we know but we don't follow His will and direction. It is little wonder so many have so little faith that an existence of peace and harmony can ever be again.

The time has come when we had just as well make up our collective minds as Masons that something has to and can be done to bring about the social and economic reforms that must and will come in this country. We can no longer afford the luxury of burying our head in the sand or building a wall about ourselves. The external forces are too great to withstand.

JOHN D. CHARLTON, 32°,
Kinston, N. C.

Now as to how — turn back to Him, who created all of us, with faith that only He can supply answers and seek to find His will for us in our time. Many of us are sorely vexed at the tact many of our church leaders of all denominations are taking today and as a result church school and worship attendance is falling off sharply. As a result our business and social dealings with others are beginning to lack the integrity that comes when God's will is at work. In these changing times man cannot turn his back on his Creator and expect to find peace and harmony with all mankind. Only He can provide the answers and we through faith must seek them and having found them lead others to the fountain that they might also drink. Thus, through faith by works all things are possible when guided and directed by the Supreme Architect.

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"With Mouth To Ear"

BY CLYDE McCARVER, 32°, K.C.C.H.

MAN: A PARADOX

Man certainly is a paradox! He often is the most vile of God's creations! Yet, he is somehow kin to God, Himself. This paradox can truthfully be said of Masons. All Masons are not better than all non-masons. They just aren't. Some of the people we most admire have just missed all their Masonic connections. I have heard that sort of statement from many a Mason, tried and true. These non-masons are far too honest and intelligent to fail to admit that there is some sort of a God somewhere. It is hard for them to look around the universe and fail to see that there is evidence of some kind of Power, and perhaps a great mind that has been behind that Power. But what they say is "if there is a personal God, then I, so far as I know have had no sort of personal dealings with Him."

So far as Masonry is concerned, they are respectful about it. They are willing for you and me to go in for it. But, they want to have no part in it. Yet, they are wonderful people. Sometimes they are quite easy to love and admire. Often times we depend upon them quite heavily. They seem to be making all sorts of success . . . that which we call "the art of living." But they have never joined the Craft. So far as we can see, they may be better than some who are within the Craft. (Though who is qualified to really judge that?)

The question that really "bugs" many of us is "why can't Masonry make good people better and bad people good?" Here is the good news about God and His designs for living which we are asked to believe. Why does it not improve the people who join Masonry more noticeably and consistently? Well, that sort of paradox perplexes me too! Yet, it is not a question which I am in a position to really ask, anyway!

My question would be better: "Why doesn't it make a better man out of me than I am?" Well, that is one which I can answer. The blunt truth is that I don't let it! I resisted in more ways than I am perhaps aware of resisting her precepts and great lessons! It seems that

Rev. Clyde G. McCarver, 32°, K.C.C.H.

I was born with an irresistible urge to live my own life as I please and to resist true work in the quarries of life. It sometimes looks like this will be characteristic of me until I drop the working tools of life! I pray for the fortitude of Constance! Yet, I yield in far too many places in life. This I must confess to you, my brethren. I am ashamed of it; but, it is true nevertheless. This is but an evidence that I am a member of the human race. We all are somewhat like that . . . though your shortcomings should never be a comfort to me.

For a minute it all seems to boil down to a rather simple question: "If Masonry is what it is claimed to be, why aren't Masons finer, more noble, more courageously enjoyable people than anyone else?" This is a question that manages to be asked; but, it seldom gets itself answered! It really has no business becoming a primary question anyway.

Look at it this way. Let's say we would be the first to insist that unless Masonry makes a difference in a man's life, then either Masonry can't deliver or the task is too great. Neither is the case. One can look the world over and he will not find that the lives of men may so be divided. One can not take a human yardstick and measure the lives of men and see how much better one scores than the other. In any time we might count noses — if we really had the ability to count noses (which we have not), we would find many men falling away from our teachings though they still call themselves Masons and keep up the dues! You would find many people in the process of living "Masonic-like lives" who don't even realize this to be so. They are profane to our inner-workings. Yet, they are upright far more than they can understand or explain.

There are people in the world who at this moment are being led from darkness to light who have never knocked at a Lodge door. They are Masonic without knowing it. Then there are legions of men who are simply middled in their faith and life. They have a set of jumbled beliefs that are inconsistent and unexamined. The unexamined life and faith is poor living! God alone knows which is which in the final recognizing of things. Each man is judged by the use he has put to the tools which have been placed in his hands and the light which has been given him to travel by.

True light in life comes to a man when he ceases to compare himself with another man who is quite different. True wisdom of life comes when a man compares himself with himself. The true Masonic question is "How much better a man would any man be if he were a Mason and followed our teachings?" What new strength and staying power would come to his life if he were a Mason. "How much more unbearable would the "not-so-good Mason" be if he had never knelt at our altars and taken our vows? What kind of a man would the "profane" man be if he paid no attention to the light he has been given?" Countless causes, plus every pressure we call heredity and environment, all modified by a man's own deliberate choices — all these shape the raw material of you into a different person than another.

The paradox of man can be solved when we allow the Supreme Architect of the Universe to take the rough stones of our humanity and break off the rough corners until the stone is fit for the builder's use in erecting that house not made by hands, eternal in the heavens. Each stone can then fit with such exactness and perfection as to fit us to become living stones in the Temple Above. SO MOTE IT BE!

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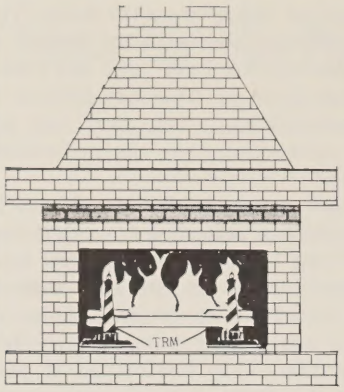
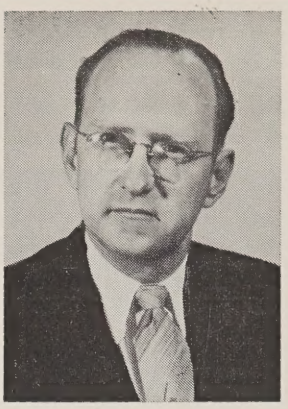


HEARTHSIDE CHATS

By

Tom MacRae, 32°



Once again it's time to begin planning for our annual vacation which, we hope, will be more enjoyable than the two weeks we had hoped to take a year ago.

One of the 1969 weeks was "lost" when we damaged a kneecap on the police pistol range. A physician withdrew 20 cubic centimeters of water. That week was spent at home.

The other week, carefully chosen to coincide with the Fall Reunion in New Bern, was marred when some despicable hoodlums were involved in kidnaping (newspapers spell the word with one "p", Brother Pugh) and rape charges which forced us to lose several days of that week.

Our state editor, Jim Whitfield, rates four weeks vacation. He took one in April, and plans to take the others on a "one-per-month" basis.

The only objections we have to Jim's vacation plans are based on what happened last year and will, presumably take place this year. When Jim goes on vacation, Tom takes over his duties in Raleigh for the week.

Despite these handicaps, we are looking forward with fond expectations to having a relaxing, enjoyable two weeks of reading, loafing and eating at the historic Nu-Wray Inn at Burnsville, some 40 miles north of Asheville.

We would like to make it clear that we are not on the public relations staff of the inn — built before the Civil War — but any person who has dined there will appreciate our regard for this bit of Americana.

The inn would not qualify for nationwide motel chains because the furnishings, while clean, are designed for comfort rather than appearance. Green vines grace the establishment's front, not glittering neon signs.

The porch is amply supplied with rocking chairs, which are quickly grabbed after a meal is consumed. You look across the town square and watch the clouds cover a mountain.

Meals are served family-style, and you pass 20 or more platters before you have the chance to start eating. The creamed corn for supper, for example was "in the field" at 4 p.m., which should give you some idea as to the quality of the food.

Even sleeping is a pleasure. During the coastal "hot months" you couldn't sell an air conditioner in Burnsville. On most nights you have to slam the windows down and pull up more cover.

In recent weeks we have toured several beaches along Eastern Carolina and we can understand their attraction to non-coastal residents. And also to the salt-minded sportsman.

The pounding surf . . . the new harvest of sea shells are impressive sights. There's no disputing it.

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William L. Ramsey, 32°, K.C.C.H.

Our beloved Brother, William L. Ramsey, Sr., 32°, K.C.C.H., has just received two significant accolades in recognition of his distinguished service.

In one of these, he was elected State President of the National Society, Sons of the American Revolution, during its meeting held in Fayetteville on Friday evening, April 10th.

In addition to the above honor, our Brother and long-time faithful member, was elected and installed Grand Preceptor of the Grand College of America, Holy Royal Arch Knight Templar Priests on February 22nd in Washington, D. C.

We salute our distinguished Brother!

Maundy Thursday In Northeastern North Carolina

The Maundy Thursday service is one in which attendance by the members is compulsory, according to the Supreme Council Statutes, within a certain distance of the Temple. Because of the large area which we embrace it has been impossible of course for those of our members who live in the outlying regions to avail themselves of the beauty of the Maundy Thursday and Easter morning services.

Some of our Brethren have been aware of the efforts made by the Brethren in the Elizabeth City area to institute these two services for the benefit of the Brethren living in North Eastern North Carolina.

These services were held for the first time in Elizabeth City through the concerted efforts of several of the Brethren there. It was a successful observance; in fact, it exceeded our fondest expectations. Perhaps a better appraisal of the service there might be had by quoting a letter which we received from Brother Francis Clark, 33°, who took the lead in directing these two services in Elizabeth City. The letter is as follows:

March 31, 1970

Mr. R. L. Pugh, 33°
P. O. Box 1449
New Bern, N. C.

Dear Bob:

In my opinion the Maundy Thursday-Easter services were a tremendous success and well received by the brethren who attended, approximately 100. I think there were 98 to be exact. Many of the brethren are hoping this will be an annual affair and claim it may build into something big. From where I sit, I can see its possibilities. Time will tell.

The degree team did a grand job and with the robes we used looked like real professionals. Easter records were borrowed from our local radio station, for background music, and one of our members loaned us a record player. In other words everything went great!

Hope to see you in a couple of weeks.

Best regards to all.

Yours in the faith,
Francis

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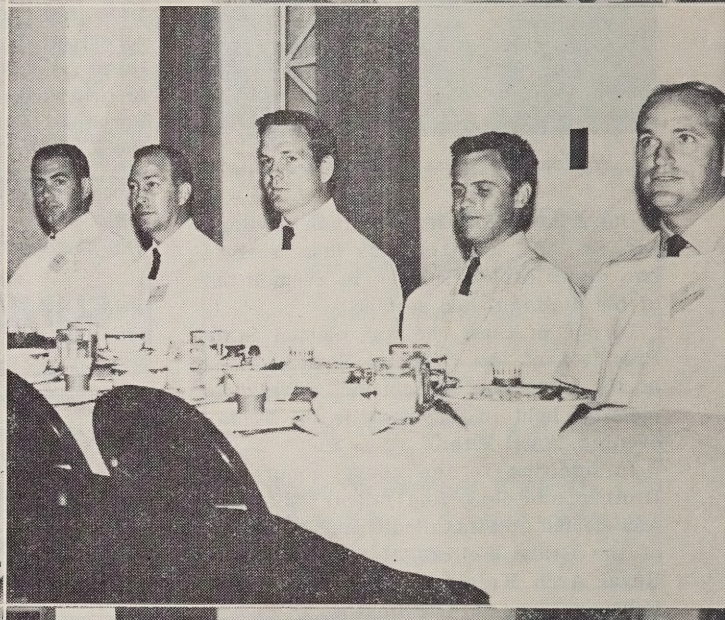

1. Thirty-thirds at Speaker's Table, left to right, Robert L. L. Pugh, our Secretary, Judge William J. Bundy, James W. Brewer and R. V. McBride.
2. Secretary Pugh "in action"!!
3. James W. Brewer, 33°.
4. Most Worshipful William Arthur Hooks, Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina, 1969-70.
5. Judge William J. Bundy, 33°.
6. Officers of "The Rededication Class", left to right, Rev. R. G. Elmore, Orator; N. D. Wiggs, Jr. Secretary; Thomas Wilson Cathey, Vice-President; and E. F. Lennon, Jr., President.
7. "Oxford Orphanage boys", honored guests at "Oxford Orphanage Night".

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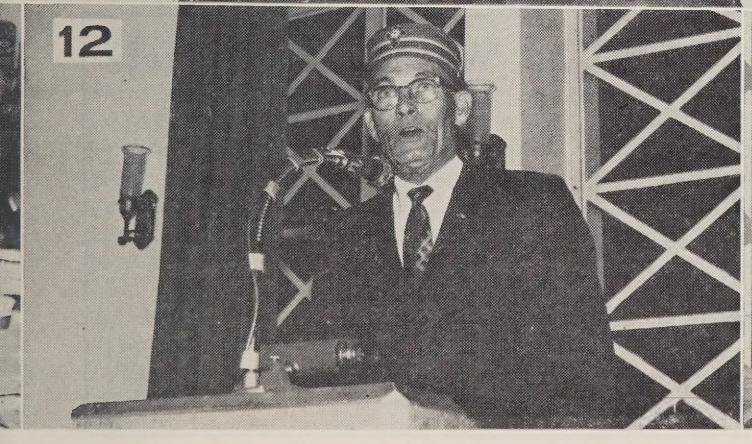

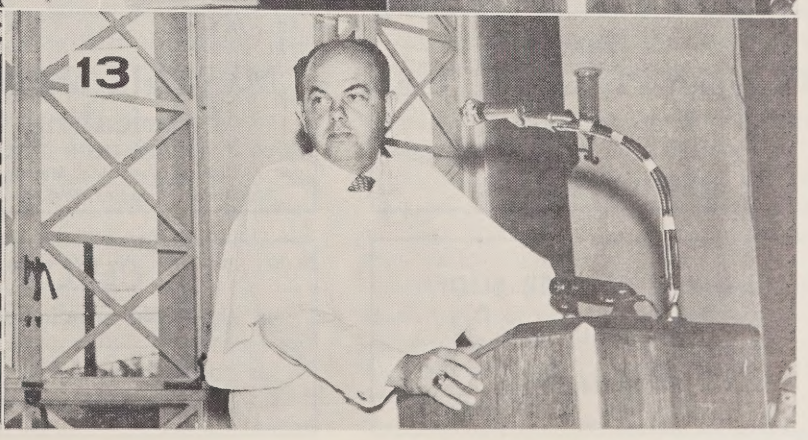

8. Oxford Orphanage graduates and their wives, left to right, Leslie J. Albertson; Lawrence J. Strum and Mrs. Strum; Robert McK. Pace and Mrs. Pace; Jerry D. Finch and Mrs. Finch, and Glenn T. Snider.
9. Rev. R. G. Elmore, Class Orator, addresses class and members at closing banquet Thursday night.
10. Superintendent A. D. Leon Gray and Oxford Orphanage graduates, "special guests", Oxford Orphanage Night.
11. Speaker's Table, Brothers Robert L. Pugh, 33°, Rev. A. D. Leon Gray, 32°, K.C.C.H., S. Frank Noble, 32°, K.C.C.H. and Jesse C. Vail, 32°, K.C.C.H.
12. Brother A. D. Leon Gray, Superintendent of Oxford Orphanage, making talk to members and guests on "Oxford Orphanage Night".
13. Brother E. F. Lennon, Jr., President of "The Rededication Class".

SCOTTISH RITE CLUBS

Albert Pike Scottish Rite Club

The "Albert Pike Scottish Rite Club" held their regular meeting Monday night April 6, 1970 at "Tetterton's Restaurant" where a steak dinner was enjoyed by all present.

The following members were present: G. R. Leggett, Sr., President; W. C. Chesson, Secretary; Frank Bickerstaff; Vice-President; Alton Gurganus, Putt Landing, R. H. Lucas, Dallas Harden, W. C. Styons, Bryant Harris, Dan Pittman, Tom Gardner, and Candidate Charlie Ange.

By the time this is published in the May issue of the Bagpipe, our spring reunion will be in the past, and the results will be manifest of our labors, but we cannot rest on our laurels, another hot summer will soon be here, and following that a fall reunion, consequently, we can use the intervening time profitably, if we have the right attitudes and activities.

An activity is anything that occupies our interest and time. My activity is what I decide I want to do with my time. What I do is determined by what I think. I will do those things that I think will bring to me the greatest satisfaction. What I consider satisfaction will depend upon how carefully I have considered or thought about the activity and its end results.

Keep in mind that your attitude is determined by thoughts. Just what are your thoughts about God? "Is your God too small?" Are your thoughts about God limited to your own puny concepts about deity or has your mind been occupied by the awe-inspiring concepts of revelation — God's revelation of His power and majesty evident in what we call nature? Have you given serious thought to the wonder of the celestial universe? How great is the God who holds the stars in place! How great the God who keeps the sun and the seasons so minutely on schedule! How great the God who makes the bumble bee fly, who makes the honey bee stinger flawless under microscope, and who created the process that produces the beautiful butterfly! What is your attitude toward the God who created the computer of computers (the marvelous mind of man), the circulatory system of man that makes a metropolitan city water works look small and simple, and a nervous system that challenges any electrical complex?

What is your attitude, or what thoughts have occupied your mind about the great God revealed through the prophets and preachers whose message is written down in the Bible? What is your attitude toward a God of perfect justice whose perfect love brings perfect mercy to rebellious renegades like you and me?

Is your attitude one of these: what do you want me to do or what do I have to do? Is it loving obedience or legal conformity? What do you think of God? What is your attitude toward Him? Your actions speak of your attitude!

What thoughts occupy your mind about the Bible? It is your book of life or just another important book in your life?

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Therefore we have a golden opportunity, not only to live the great teachings of Scottish Rite Masonry, but to bring the good news, to our Blue Lodge brethren, that their lives may also be enriched, and the blessings we enjoy may be theirs.

Wilmer C. Chesson, Secretary

Candidates' wives included in our special ladies' entertainment, tours, etc.—Spring Reunion 1970—with our hostess, Mrs. J. R. Chadwick.

Beaufort County Scottish Rite Club

Beaufort County Scottish Rite Club held its regular meeting on April 5th at the Washington Masonic Lodge on Pactolus Highway. Each member along with his wife met at the Lodge at 6:00 P.M. where Brother Ed. Thornton and Jack Tripp had prepared a charcoal fire over which each member cooked their own steaks. The steaks were brought by each member. The baked potatoes were prepared by Ethel Thornton and the salad was prepared by Mrs. Jack Tripp. All food other than the steaks was furnished by the club.

After enjoying a delicious steak meal the President, Henry Jones called a short business meeting while the ladies cleaned the tables, etc.

Brother Robert Mohler gave a very interesting program on his recent visit to San Francisco and China Town. He showed some very colorful slides along with his narration of his trip. The program was most enjoyable.

Guests at the meeting included Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Wild, guests of Dr. and Mrs. Ray Alexander, Mrs. Wm. Weatherly and daughter, guests of her parents, Eddie and Inez Jackson. There were thirty members and guests present. Brother Preston Edwards came as a new member, he also brought his wife.

The next meeting will be held on the first Sunday afternoon in May, at the Washington Lodge. Brother Willie Gray Hodges and Wm. W. Alligood have agreed to prepare a herring fish fry for this meeting.

President Henry Jones reported on a meeting of the Craven County Scottish Rite Ladies Night, that he and his wife, Lucille attended, along with Ashley Leggett and his wife, Grace. He highly complimented Brother Ray Alexander who was the speaker of the evening at the occasion. Mrs. Betty Alexander was also present.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Edward Ray Edwards,
Acting Secretary

Beaufort-Morehead City Ladies' Night Party

The East Carteret Scottish Rite Club held its annual spring Ladies Night dinner on March 14, 1970, at the East Carteret High School Cafeteria at 7:00 p.m. The menu was roast beef, vegetables, and apple pie.

The attendance was good with several prospective candidates and their ladies present. The meeting was called to order by Bro. Stanley Gillikin, President, and the invocation was given by Bro. John W. Bryan, after which the meal was served.

Distinguished guests for the evening were Bro. Bob Pugh, Secretary of the Scottish Rite Temple, Bro. R. D. Shinkle, Grand Chaplain of the Grand Lodge of N. C., and Bro. J. W. H. Roberts, guest speaker for the evening.

After a very delicious meal the meeting was continued with the welcome by Bro. A. C. Blankenship. Brother M. A. Ayscue introduced our guests.

Bro. Bob Pugh, then with his usual words of inspiration and good cheer, gave us a few words. He also mentioned the passing of our good Bro. L. B. Daniels, whose funeral was held earlier that afternoon. Bro. Harvey Joslyn then introduced our speaker, Bro. J. W. H. Roberts, of Greenville, N. C.

Bro. Roberts gave a very inspiring and challenging message. He spoke about our nation and its moral decay. He charged all Masons to stand firm to what our churches and Masonry teaches. The message was enjoyed by all. Bro. Stanley Gillikin gave the closing prayer and the meeting adjourned.

John W. Bryan,
Secretary-Treasurer

Chowan Scottish Rite Club

The Chowan Scottish Rite Club held its monthly meeting at the Club house on Granville St. Friday night, March 27, at 7:30 p.m. There was a large number of Brothers and their wives present. A covered dish supper was the menu. President Clarence White welcomed everyone.

The Spring Reunion and possible candidates were discussed.

The first fish fry of the year for the Club has been planned. It is to be held on April 25 from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. in front of the Club house.

Next meeting is to be held on April 24 at 7:30 p.m. with steak on the menu.

President White urged all members who can to attend the Spring Reunion in New Bern in April.

William D. Stallings, Secretary

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East Carteret Scottish Rite Club

A meeting of the East Carteret Scottish Rite Club was held in Franklin Lodge No. 109 on March 2, 1970 at 8:45 p.m. Two regular officers and twenty-three members were present.

President Stanley Gillikin called the meeting to order. The topic of discussion was Ladies Night, which was to be held on March 14, 1970 in the East Carteret School Cafeteria at 7:00 p.m. It was announced that Brother J. W. H. Roberts of Greenville was to be the guest speaker.

Everyone was urged to notify his prospective candidates and have them attend this meeting.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

John W. Bryan,
Secretary-Treasurer

Elizabeth City Scottish Rite Club

Thursday evening, March 26, a good number of Elizabeth City Scottish Rite Club members met at 8:00 P.M. in Hall Lodge No. 53, Indiantown, N. C.

The following members took part in the Maundy Thursday Service: Bro. G. K. Kight, 32° and Bro. L. E. Barber, 32°, Wise Master; Bro. C. E. Bunch, 32°, K.C.C.H., Master of Ceremonies; Bro. M. W. Coates, 32°, Senior Warden; Bro. W. F. Walker, Jr., 32°, Junior Warden; Bro. H. Ranhorn, 32°, Chaplain; Bro. C. R. Vann, 32°, Expert; Bro. T. R. Dobbs, Sr., 32°, Asst. Expert; and Bro. F. W. Clark, 33°, Recorder. All the members present were very much impressed with the Service. Refreshments were served after the meeting and enjoyed by all.

An Easter morning breakfast was served at 7:00 A.M. in Eureka Lodge No. 317 in Elizabeth City, N. C. This service has a deep significance to the Knights of the Rose Croix and all Christians. It is a time to re-examine our spiritual well being; a time of deep devotion and the renewal of our faith in Almighty God. Of all men, we should be more determined in our hearts to renew our faith in those lofty principles proclaimed by Jesus, the Man of Galilee, that we should practice His new commandment, "The Maundy" or Mandate, which He gave His disciples, to love one another.

Has there ever been a greater need for these things among men or Masons?

This service was not too long and the ones present had time to also attend the service at their own church.

R. K. Hollomon,
Secretary-Treasurer

Elizabeth City Scottish Rite Club

Elizabeth City Scottish Rite Club met at Eureka Masonic Temple at 7:00 p.m. for our Spring Shrimp Supper which was prepared by Bro. W. M. Coates, Bro. Louis Bell, Jr. and Bro. George A. Meades. The meeting was called to order and the President Bro. Wilton Walker, Jr., welcomed all the members, their guests and ladies.

Bro. R. K. Hollomon gave the invocation and the shrimp disappeared in a short while.

Bro. Walker recognized Bro. F. M. Clark, 33°, and asked him to announce the Maundy Thursday service which will be held at Hall Lodge No. 53, March 26, 1970, at 7 p.m. and the Easter Sunday service at 7:30 a.m. at Eureka Masonic Temple. Breakfast will be served, the meeting will last about forty minutes and you can leave for Sunday School and your church service on time.

Bro. Walker gave all the candidates a special invitation to go to New Bern and take the degrees and take their wives on the "Festive Holiday" for three days.

There were about one hundred and sixty present and the fellowship was just wonderful.

We now have sixty-one paid members for 1970 and in that number are five new members.

We plan to have another meeting before the summer season.

Bro. Walker closed the meeting by inviting all back next fall.

R. K. Hollomon,
Secretary-Treasurer

Fort Bragg Scottish Rite Ladies Night

On Wednesday evening, March 25th, approximately 130 Scottish Rite Masons, prospective candidates, their wives and friends assembled in the Horace Ziglar Banquet Hall of Fort Bragg Lodge for refreshment and entertainment.

Brother William C. Hammond, Jr., 32°, K.C.C.H., acted as Toastmaster and called upon Brother Allen C. Edens, 32°, for the invocation.

A most delicious fried chicken dinner was then served by the ladies of The Eastern Star which was thoroughly enjoyed by all.

The Toastmaster introduced Brother Delmon Turner, 32°, Master of Fort Bragg Lodge, who welcomed the guests for the Lodge. Brother Turner introduced his officers and informed those present that if there was anything either he or his officers could do to make the occasion a pleasant one to please call upon them.

All Past Masters and Masters were then recognized. The Toastmaster then introduced the K.C.C.H.'s present and their wives. He then introduced the 33°'s present and their wives. Each 33° responded with appropriate remarks. Brother Tom Slate, 33°, as founder of the 20th degree team then introduced all members of the team present and gave their titles. He called upon Brother Nelson Banks, 32°, K.C.C.H. to stand and introduced him as the Master of the 17th degree and asked all members of any degree team present to stand.

The Toastmaster then called upon Brother David C. Smith, 32° and Second Ceremonial Master of Sudan Temple A.A.O.N.M.S., to introduce the speaker of the evening. Brother Smith responded and introduced the speaker, Brother Warren H. Coolidge, 32°, U. S. District Attorney for Eastern North Carolina. Brother Coolidge delivered a most inspiring and informative message on Scottish Rite Masonry. He pointed out that Christ said: "Ye are the light of the World, Ye are the salt of the Earth, and Ye are to be my witnesses." He developed the theme that Scottish Rite Masons dispense light or power to the World; that salt in Christ's time was a preservative and that Scottish Rite Masons preserve the world and that by their actions they witness to the World by their life and actions.

The Toastmaster then recognized Brother Nelson B. Banks, 32°, K.C.C.H., who was representing our Secretary Brother Robert Pugh, 33°, who was unable to attend due to a prior commitment. Brother Banks gave a brief discussion of what the candidates and their wives should expect when in New Bern for the

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Reunion. Brother Hammond then gave a brief talk on the mechanics of petitioning, registering and living in New Bern during the period. Following these discussions each prospective candidate was given a Scottish Rite folder giving pertinent information.

Brother Edens then pronounced the Benediction and each wended his way homeward filled with enthusiasm for our coming Reunion.

Grifton Scottish Rite Club

The Grifton Club was honored to have Brother Charles Potter as guest speaker for the April meeting. Brother Potter, Past Master St. John #3, Grand Lecturer of Grand Lodge, 33° Scottish Rite, member York Rite, Past District Deputy Grand Lecturer, 1964-1966, Past Patron of Eastern Star, member Sudan Temple and Master of 4, 9 and 1st section 14th degrees of Scottish Rite, gave his usual excellent and informative presentation. His presentation was directed to Scottish Rite candidates, but his vivid verbal descriptions of some of the degree work couldn't help but bring back memories for older members and inspire all. We thank you, Brother Potter. We were also happy to have Brother Charlie Dickinson, our "adopted" member, with us again.

Grifton Scottish Rite Club, the fastest growing club in the State, had *seven* candidates take the 4th through 32nd degrees at New Bern Spring Reunion. *Welcome!* Brother 32nd degree Masons, we're proud of you.

Remember, Brothers, we'll have a meeting the 2nd Monday in May. This will be our last meeting until next September. Menu? 16 oz. "T" Bones, of course. Ayden Scottish Rite members welcome!

Curt Ward, Vice-President

Martin County Scottish Rite Club

The Martin County Scottish Rite Club met at "Your Restaurant", Robersonville, N. C. Wednesday night April 1st, at 7:30. Invocation was given by J. L. Williams. It was a bad, rainy night and our attendance was small, only 10 present. After a very delicious fish supper and business attended to, the meeting was closed by President Warren. We will meet at River's Edge Restaurant, Jamesville, N. C. on Wednesday, May 6th at 7:30.

Hassell Warren, President
T. M. Britton, Secretary

SCOTTISH RITE CLUB NEWS

By the time we receive this issue of the Bagpipe the Spring Reunion will be all over. "The Rededication Class" picture will be hung in the hallway across from the class room. Each candidate will know how many steps there are from the first floor to the third floor. They will not be able to remember the names of all the new friends they have made. They will be confused as to which degree was put on at what time or what day for that matter.

They will remember the excellent food and service rendered by the ladies of the Eastern Star—the after dinner speakers and their messages will linger in their minds for years to come. Such names as Robert Pugh, Tom Slate, Ed Blair, Shorty Kafer, Charlie Midgette and many others will always be remembered.

After they have rested and fully recovered from the three most action packed days of their lives, for most of them, they will realize that they have received something that no other fraternal organization could confer upon them. They now have something that each can and will cherish the rest of their lives.

This, my Brother, is the reason that each person who has taken even the smallest part in our degree work or our Scottish Rite club work has the satisfaction of knowing he has accomplished a big job — a big job well done.

Yet, there is one last phase of this work that must not be neglected. All Scottish Rite clubs can play an important role in this work. KEEP THOSE NEW SCOTTISH RITE MEMBERS ACTIVE. Encourage them to join our clubs and attend our meetings.

When ALL members, new and old, work together we can look forward to that ATTAINABLE two hundred in our Fall Reunion.

There is a destiny that makes us brothers,
None goes his way alone.
All that we send into the lives of others,
Comes back into our own.

Johnny R. West,
Secretary-Treasurer

Ocracoke Island Scottish Rite Club

The Ocracoke Island Scottish Rite Club met on January 5, 1970 with the President, Irvin Garrish, presiding. There were 12 members present.

The meeting opened with a prayer by Brother Benjamin Spencer.

After a short business session, the meeting adjourned at 8:45 P.M.

William R. Spencer, Secretary

Ocracoke Island Scottish Rite Club

The Ocracoke Island Scottish Rite Club met on March 2, 1970 at 8:00 P.M. with President Irvin Garrish presiding. There were 13 members present.

The meeting opened with a prayer by Brother Thurston Gaskill.

After a short business meeting, the club adjourned at 9:00 P.M.

William R. Spencer, Secretary

Perquimans County Scottish Rite Club

On Friday night, March 20, 1970, the Perquimans County Scottish Rite Club held their annual Ladies Night Party in Perquimans High School Cafeteria, sponsored by the New Bern Consistory. There were over one hundred present and as the weather was not good we were pleased with the attendance. Members, guests, wives, and friends were present from Hertford and Perquimans Counties, Edenton and Chowan Counties, Columbia, Creswell, and Camden Counties, Colerain, Roper, Plymouth, Windsor, and one or two other places.

An excellent dinner was prepared and served by the high school P.T.A. ladies, under the management and direction of Mrs. Rudolph Perry and Mrs. Charles Harrell and ably assisted by the other members of the P.T.A. The dinner consisted of tomato juice, ovenbaked chicken, lettuce salad, macaroni and cheese, string beans, rolls, butter, apple pie, and coffee — all of which was heartily enjoyed by everyone present.

The guests from the different stations and places were recognized by the Toastmaster C. D. Spivey, Sr., and the welcome response was given by Mrs. Peggy Webb, the new Worthy Matron of the

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O.E.S.. Mrs. Bobby Jones and her four children then entertained the group with their wonderful singing, which everyone was delighted with. The speaker for the occasion was introduced by C. C. Winslow, and was none other than our own beloved James W. Brewer, a 33° degree Scottish Rite Mason and a wonderful speaker from Greenville, N. C. He was very informative, speaking on Scottish Rite Masonry. There were fifteen or more prospects present, who thoroughly enjoyed Brother Brewer's speech.

The Toastmaster then presented two K.C.C.H. members who were present — Brothers Dusty Rhoades of Edenton and G. C. Buck of Hertford. After thanking the P.T.A. ladies for preparing and serving such an excellent meal and the school authorities for the use of their facilities, the Toastmaster called on G. C. Buck to give the Benediction. Everything considered, this was one of the best Scottish Rite Ladies' Night Parties to be held in Hertford.

Pitt County Scottish Rite Club

The Pitt County Scottish Rite Club held its first pre-reunion meeting Wednesday night March 11th, at the Three Steers Restaurant. There were about fifteen members present for this meeting.

The meeting was called to order by the President Fred H. Rogers. The invocation was given by Bro. James W. Brewer after which a delicious meal was enjoyed by all present.

The first order of business was the presentation by the nominating committee of the slate of new officers. The new officers as nominated by the committee are as follows: Alfred P. Tetterton, President; Edward D. Hartsell, Vice-President and Edward D. Auston, Secretary-Treasurer. Motion was made and duly seconded that the slate be accepted. A vote was taken and the slate of officers were elected as presented by the committee.

Brother Brewer reminded the members present that the next re-union was scheduled for April 14, 15 and 16, and urged the members to get busy and round up the prospective candidates. The next meeting of the club was set for Thursday night, April 2nd. All members were urged to have any prospective candidate present for this meeting. There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Pitt County Scottish Rite Club

The Pitt County Scottish Rite Club held its second pre-reunion meeting Thursday night, April 2nd, at the Three Steers Restaurant. There were in attendance about 20 members for this occasion.

After being called to order by the President, and the invocation given by Brother Linda Stokes a delicious dinner was enjoyed by all.

There was much enthusiasm evidenced concerning the reunion with prospects of the local club having several candidates for this spring class. All members present were urged to see if they could not round up several more candidates to join those that already had signed up to go.

The next order of business was the installation of the new officers. Brother J. W. H. Roberts was requested to do the honors of installing the new officers. In his most efficient manner the following were duly installed: Alfred P. Tetterton, President; Edward D. Hartsell, Vice-President and Edward D. Austin, Secretary-Treasurer.

The next meeting of the club was set for Friday night May 29th, at the Three Steers Restaurant. At this time the new members will be welcomed into the club.

Onslow-Lejeune Scottish Rite Club

The call of fraternal notification was extended to all members of the club for the meeting at the Moose Lodge the 23rd of March, and meet and assemble we did. After a brief period of chit-chat, Brother Morgan made the momentous decision to organize this group for the purpose of conducting the business at hand, and at 7:15 P.M. we commenced to organize. After some shuffling and gallant displays of being ideal husbands and/or gentlemen in getting our ladies in their proper seats, it all went for nought. Arise for the invocation, for no segment of our fraternity would consider conducting any form of business without first invoking the blessings of our Creator.

Brother Morgan proceeded by expressing his pleasure over the large turn-out and noted that some new faces were evident. So with proper dispatch each new Mason along with his beautiful wife was introduced to all in attendance, the cement of brotherly love was laid and began to harden into a long lasting fraternal friendship.

The Secretary was directed to make known the financial status of the club in addition to acting on a few items of correspondence. This being accomplished, we tackled the business session with much professionalism, and completed just as the meal was ready to be served. Brother Gladson assisted by his expert crew of chefs, satisfied all in attendance with his charcoal broiled steaks, a feat seldom accomplished in the most expensive eating establishments. All of us responded with a hardy round of applause in appreciation for such a fine meal.

After the meal and a mite more catching up in the area of gossip, Brother Morgan once again gained the attention of the ladies, of course the counterparts had to secure the gabfest in order to maintain the proper husband and wife relationship. This accomplished, the broad beam of success reflected upon his face, Brother Morgan charged Brother Davenport to introduce our guest speaker. The introduction required a fluent mastery of masonic lingo so expertly possessed and imparted while presenting unto us Illustrious Brother Bob Pugh, 33°. Brother Pugh delivered an enlightening address on the growth of the Scottish Rite Bodies followed by masonic education, its usefulness in selling Scottish Rite Masonry to our less informed brethren and the public within our own areas. Brother Bob aroused in us all the responsibility which lay before us in order to make our forth coming reunion one which shall be remembered as a reunion of all reunions within the Valley of New Bern.

The time had arrived for us to complete our meeting of fellowship, depart for those places from whence we came. Brother Vail was asked to impart the blessings of our Creator, with acknowledgement of all Masons present. We completed another successful Onslow-Lejeune evening of dispensing Scottish Rite Masonry and left for home, each armed with the tools and knowledge of the salesmanship required to enhance the growth of the body and indebted to Brother Bob in his contribution in making this such an enjoyable evening.

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Dear Brother 'Bob',

Please excuse this delayed note of thanks for the wonderful experience I had in New Bern with the Constitution Class of 1969 at your Fall Reunion. The delay in your receiving this letter was caused by our 'Rich Uncle' in Washington, D. C. who felt it necessary for me to enter his service for awhile. But as often happens — the Great Architect 'worked in mysterious ways' and I received a medical discharge and have been able to return to my wife, child, and college education.

First of all, I would sincerely like to thank you and all of the Good Brothers for conducting me through the most memorable experience of my life. I am twenty-two years old and it is my opinion that if everyone my age had the opportunity to experience as I have the 32 degrees of Scottish Rite Masonry and to hear Brother E. P. Blair expound upon them — this world would become a much better place in which to live.

Secondly, I have enclosed a check to cover the cost of sending me a copy of the Constitution Class of 1969 picture and in addition any cost that would be involved in retaining me on your mailing list for the 'Bagpipe'. Although I took the degrees by courtesy through the Valley of Raleigh I feel as much a part of the Valley of New Bern as if I were there. I made many acquaintances in New Bern and would like to keep up with them through the 'Bagpipe'. Please consider the balance of this check as a very small contribution.

Thanking you once again for everything, I remain

Respectfully yours,
Brother John T. Council

SPRING REUNION - ENFIELD SCOTTISH RITE BODIES - March 25, 1970

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Route 2, Box 30
Beaufort, N. C.
April 11, 1970

Dear Mr. Pugh;

Thank you for your kind letter and for the many nice things that you said about my husband, both in the letter and at the Scottish Rite supper at East Carteret. He was devoted to the cause of Masonry and worked hard for it and it is nice to know that his efforts did not go unnoticed even though he was one of many who try to further the cause of Masonry.

Your establishment of a perpertual memorial in his name through the N. C. Scottish Rite Foundation was very thoughtful and I'm sure would have pleased Bob very much.

Thank you, too, for the Lifetime Courtesy Card. It is greatly appreciated and I hope to put it to much use in the future.

Sincerely,
Alma T. Daniels
Mrs. L. B. Daniels

P. O. Box 804
Jacksonville, N. C. 28540
March 12, 1970

The Bagpipe:
Mr. Robert Pugh
New Bern Scottish Rite Bodies
New Bern, N. C.
Dear Sir:

Thank you for the Life Membership Card I received today, I will use it as often as needed and treasure all privileges extended by the use of it.

I am deeply grateful for the check sent to the N. C. Scottish Rite Masonic Foundation, in the name of my husband, who departed from this life and entered the eternal harbor on January 17, 1968. He loved all the Brethren of the Scottish Rite. And I thank you for the establishment of the perpetual memorial in his name.

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5. Brother Ray L. Alexander greeting Brothers Cecil Henderson and Ben F. Gillikin, 33°.
6. Secretary Robert L. Pugh talking with a Brother.
7. Charles T. Midyette, Jr., 33°, Director of the Work, giving the Address of Welcome to members and guests.
8. Brother Leslie L. Parker, 32°, K.C.C.H., Venerable Master of the New Bern Lodge of Perfection — our Toastmaster for the party.

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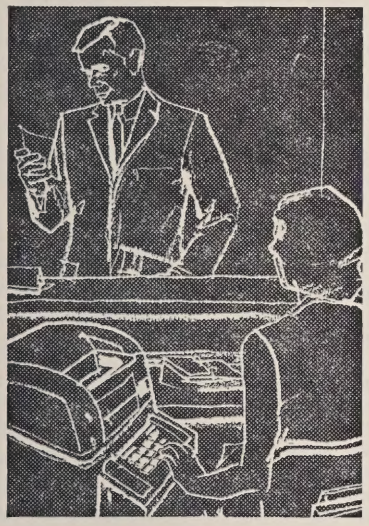

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And so — when separation comes,
To bring us bitter loss,
Our memories are precious gifts,
To help bear the cross.

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The Rededication Class Minutes

Tuesday morning April 14th, 1970 the class receiving the beautiful degrees of the Spring Reunion of the New Bern Scottish Rite Bodies held its first business session in the classroom under the direction of Lecturer Brother E. P. Blair, 33°.

The following officers were elected: President, Brother Elbert F. Lennon, Jr.; Vice-President, Brother Thomas A. Cathey; Secretary, Brother N. D. Wiggs, Jr.; and Orator, Brother R. G. Elmore.

This class was named "The Rededication Class".

The Brethren express with gratitude their appreciation for the fine work put on by the various teams of the Consistory, also we wish to thank the Director of the Work and his staff, the Stage Crew, and the Costume Department. It is with a great deal of pleasure that we acknowledge the splendid spirit of fellowship and cooperation shown by the members of the New Bern Consistory present at the reunion.

Five of our class members are former residents of Oxford Orphanage. All five were recognized by Brother A. D. Leon Gray, 32°, K.C.C.H., Superintendent of Oxford Orphanage, at the "Oxford Orphanage Night" dinner.

We also wish to thank those lovely ladies and brothers who labored so well, and served such tasty meals to all of us.

N. D. Wiggs, Secretary

To Our New Initiates

New Members of "The Rededication Class" Initiated Spring Reunion, April 14, 15, and 16, 1970

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Horace Gordon Lawrence.....Beaufort, N. C.

15° through 32°

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19° through 32°

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4° through 32°

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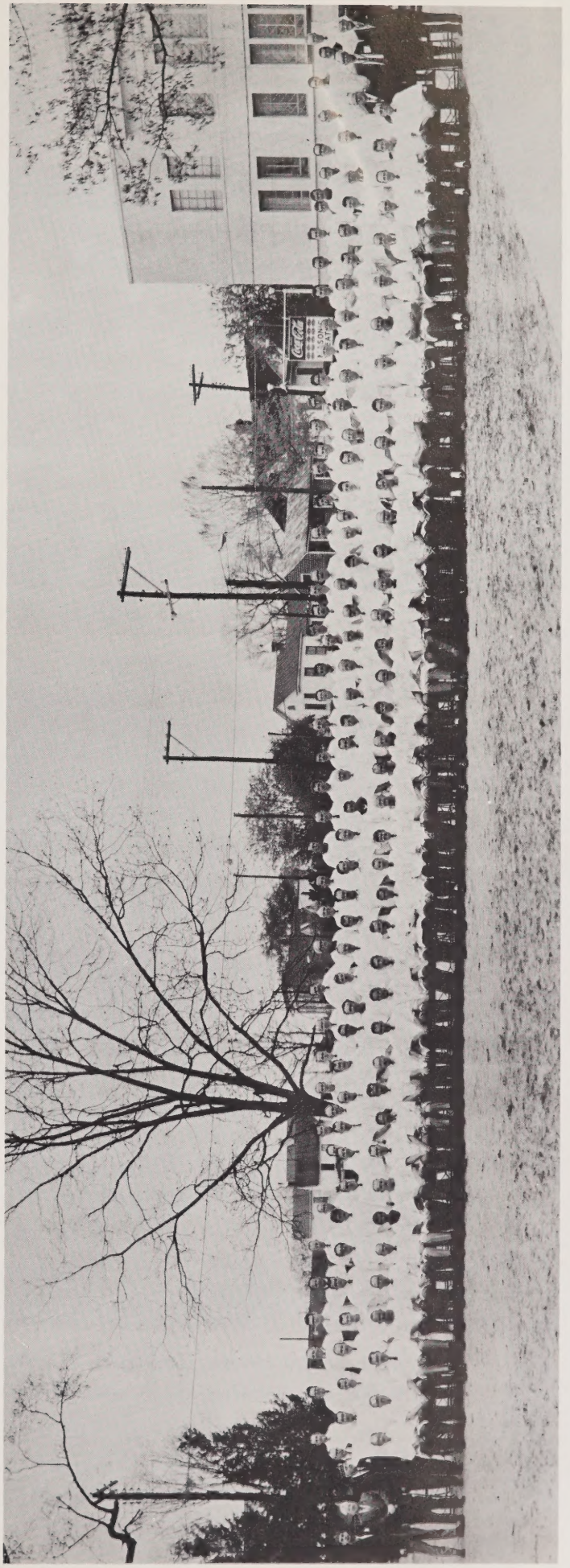

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